

IN THE DISTRICT COURT OF THE UNITED STATES FOR THE
MIDDLE DISTRICT OF ALABAMA, NORTHERN DIVISION

EDWARD BRAGGS, et al.,)	
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Plaintiffs,)	
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v.)	CIVIL ACTION NO.
)	2:14cv601-MHT
)	(WO)
JEFFERSON S. DUNN, in his)	
official capacity as)	
Commissioner of)	
the Alabama Department of)	
Corrections, et al.,)	
)	
Defendants.)	

ORDER APPOINTING ARBITRATOR

This court recently ordered the parties to meet and confer about whether they can agree upon a replacement arbitrator for disputes arising out of the Phase 1 consent decree (doc. no. 728) and Phase 2A ADA consent decree (doc. no. 1291) in light of the retirement of Magistrate Judge John Ott. See Order for Replacement Arbitrator (doc. no. 2856). The parties have now informed the court that they could not come to any agreement. See Joint Petition for Court to Appoint Replacement Arbitrator (doc. no. 2862). Instead, the

parties jointly request that the court choose and appoint a replacement arbitrator, based on the process set forth in the Phase 1 consent decree (doc. no. 728). To aid the court, the parties have provided a list of current U.S. Magistrate Judges or those on recall who might be able to serve as arbitrator, including U.S. Magistrate Judge Stephen M. Doyle. See Joint Petition for Court to Appoint Replacement Arbitrator (doc. no. 2862) at 2 n.2.

Accordingly, it is ORDERED as follows:

- (1) Magistrate Judge Stephen M. Doyle is appointed as arbitrator for disputes arising out of the Phase 1 consent decree (doc. no. 728) and Phase 2A ADA consent decree (doc. no. 1291). The clerk of the court is to add Judge Doyle as an interested party to this *Braggs* litigation.
- (2) The clerk of court is to file a copy of this order in *In re: Patrick Joseph Charest Request for Arbitration in the Braggs litigation*, No. 19-misc-3852, where Judge Doyle is to serve

as the arbitrator. The clerk of the court is to add Judge Doyle as an interested party to the *Charest* proceeding too.

DONE, this the 7th of July, 2020.

/s/ Myron H. Thompson
UNITED STATES DISTRICT JUDGE